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Council steps in to secure future of free summer event

SAVIOURS OF TOWN SHOW

By Oliver Evans

THE future of the Banbury and District Show has been secured, town councillors have said – and will be free for the first time this year.

Banbury Town Council has stepped in to manage the June 10 show after organisers were hit in the pocket by last year's rain-sodden event.

The £2 to £7 entry fees will be scrapped for the first time at the Spiceball Park show, which attracts thousands to enjoy outdoor events.

And the Conservative-run council will also underwrite the town's August 19 Food Fair after organiser The Four Shires pulled out over costs.

The council will pay any losses, but leader Kieron Mallon said he was confident sponsorship and pitch fees would cover costs for both events.

Mr Mallon said of the district show: "The 'Make-it-free' decision means families from Banbury and the surrounding area will be able to enjoy a day of superb entertainment at no cost."

This was a "fantastic opportunity in times when most things are going up in price".

The event – which attracts thousands of visitors – was previously organised by the Rotary Clubs of Banbury and Cherwell and Banbury Cross Round Table.

They would still be involved, said Mr Mallon, who added he feared the show would not have gone ahead if the council had not stepped in.

The Oxfordshire County and Thame Show – the county's biggest country event – has been axed this year after being hit by £116,000 loss-



FLASHBACK
 to last June where clown, Dingle Fingle, was the star of the Banbury and District Show

es over four years. Mr Mallon said: "We have to sell the town. The Thame show has gone. We don't want that to happen to Banbury."

The council will combine the Food Fair with its Flower and Produce Show to form the Banbury Food Show in Market Place.

Four Shires director Jeremy Wilton said it had pulled out of the Food Fair – set up in 2009 – because of costs.

He said: "If they can make a go of it, then I wish them the best of luck."

The debt-free council agreed last week not to put up its share of the council tax, £122.12 on an average Band D bill, for the 12 months from April.

Cherwell District Council, Oxfordshire County Council and Thames Valley Police are intending to freeze their part of the bill, £1,439.51 on a band D home.

Mr Mallon said "invest to save" moves, like spending on park equipment, had cut maintenance costs.

Banbury and District Chamber of Commerce chairman Claire Kingsbury said: "This is fantastic news and it is great to see the town council doing something positive and being so positive by having events in the town." She said: "The district show does bring a lot of people into the town. It puts Banbury on the map."



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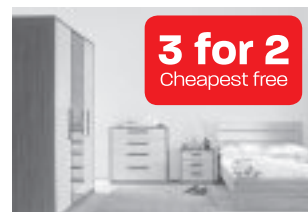
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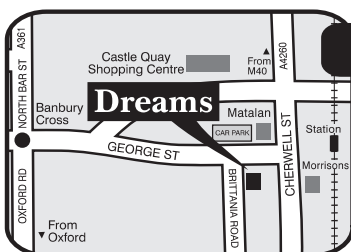
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Manager's warning over out-of-town retail park

By Oliver Evans

PLANS for an out-of-town retail park would "threaten the retail heart of Banbury" the manager of Castle Quay has said.

Paul Jackson warned retailers would leave the town for the planned Banbury Gateway, at the current site of motorsport

firm Prodrive by M40 junction 11.

Marks & Spencer and Next have already been confirmed for the development but have pledged to keep their town centre stores.

Seven further shop units and three or four food and drink outlets will also be created and Prodrive would move to the nearby former Hella lighting site.

Cherwell District Council has yet to make a final decision on the plan, to

include a free shuttle bus to the town.

Mr Jackson said: "The practical effect of allowing this proposal, as a direct competitor, is that key retailers will leave Castle Quay as well as the town centre."

Mr Jackson added: "These plans, as they stand, will threaten the retail heart of Banbury."

Banbury Cross Traders group spokesman Malcolm Douglas branded the plan "madness".

A joint statement from Prodrive and developer LXB said the public response to the plans were "overwhelmingly unanimous" in support.

Tim Walton, CEO of LXB, said: "As Banbury Gateway will accommodate larger units, it will not compete with the town centre, rather complement it by boosting footfall into Banbury."

Prodrive chief David Richards said its relocation would create 300 to 500 jobs.

Nightclub faces police action call

POLICE are taking action against a Banbury nightclub because of concerns over its security measures.

Thames Valley Police has asked Cherwell District Council to review The Chapel's licence.

Officers say bosses of the Horsefair club are not upholding its crime and disorder responsibilities and want tougher rules on its licence.

The official request from the police said that under current management "there were concerns about the amount and the nature of the assaults and disorder that has occurred at the premises".

It claimed there had been "many meetings" since the re-opening, "yet the concerns still persist". The club could not be reached for comment.

Cherwell Inspector Neville Clayton said: "We are not in the business of closing premises down. We want Banbury to have a vibrant community but we want people to come to Banbury and socialise safely."

He said police knew of 87 incidents from September 22 to December 31, including 34 assaults and 37 incidents of disorder.

He added: "If it comes to closing premises because they don't heed warnings then that is what it will come to."

Council to debate HS2 reaction

COUNCIL chiefs will discuss whether or not to launch a judicial review after a high speed rail line - which could cut through the local countryside - was approved.

Cherwell District Council's ruling Conservative executive will consider if there is grounds for a judicial review when it meets on Monday.

A council report says this could be launched by the authority alone, or together with some of the councils in the 51M protest group.

The HS2 line is earmarked to skirt villages in North Oxfordshire, including Finmere and Mixbury.

The council said the existing railway network could meet future demand and the scheme would damage the landscape and hit local house prices.

Monday's executive meeting could exclude the press and public under "legal professional privilege" laws.

It will meet at 6.30pm at Bodicote House, Bodicote.

Patient's wife to join record-breaking run

BRAIN tumour sufferer Matthew Chadwick has one message as his wife prepares to run a charity marathon in his honour: "I am proud to be married to you".

The 40-year-old has inspired wife-of-six-years Kris to run 26 miles as part of a UK-long relay to raise £500,000 for research and support charity Brain Tumour UK.

The Banbury School teacher said: "I feel proud. I am honoured to be married to her."

He was diagnosed with a tumour in 1995 and given 14 months to live after a 1998 operation to remove it.

The Banbury resident said: "My dad said to me 'I don't think it's time to lose you just yet'."

"Ever since then my life has gone on an upward level. I have bought a flat, travelled, trained as a teacher and got married."

"If it wasn't for the tumour I would have been doodling around, not fulfilling any goals."

The couple met in 2004 while teaching in Gloucestershire and moved to Oxfordshire in 2007.

Mr Chadwick is currently off work after suffering epileptic



Kris Chadwick is running a marathon for a brain tumour charity after her husband, Matt, had his tumour removed

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fits but hopes to return to his school soon.

His wife, 35, will run from Buckingham Palace to Gravesend on Friday, May 4, as part of the 700-person challenge, which will cover 3,100 miles in all.

It is hoped the run, supported by former England cricketer Phil Tufnell, will break the world record for long-distance relay running - which currently stands at 1,923 miles.

Mrs Chadwick ran the 2010

London Marathon for the charity and hopes to raise £2,500 this time.

She said: "I'm really looking forward to the sense of achievement that you get from completing a run like this for charity."

The run will take in cities including Southampton, Bristol, Cardiff, Liverpool, Glasgow, Edinburgh and Newcastle.

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OAPs braced for Dial-a-Ride cutbacks

LONG-awaited details have emerged of the scale of cuts to Cherwell's Dial-a-Ride bus service.

Oxfordshire County Council has said it will fund one bus a day, five days a week throughout the district following changes to how the service is run.

This is compared to five to seven buses every day under current arrangements. But this

announcement does not take into account further expected cash from Cherwell District Council.

Ken Atack, the Cherwell councillor responsible for finance, said he hoped his council to put in enough cash to have two district buses three days a week and one bus on the other two days, but its contribution to the scheme would be significantly less than last year's

funding of £187,500.

Final details have still yet to be confirmed.

Changes will come into force from April 1.

County spokesman Owen Morton said: "While this will result in a reduced provision, officers will continue to work collaboratively to minimise the impact where possible."

Payout is revealed in benefits debate

By Oliver Evans

TAXPAYERS paid the £17,000-a-year rent on a family's three bedroom detached house, figures obtained by the Banbury Cake show.

Figures released under the Freedom of Information Act show £17,030.52 was paid annually from April 2009 to April 2011.

The property is in the Bloxham and Bodicote area, but Cherwell District Council refused to give out

details. It was the biggest payout by the council and comes amid controversial reforms to the benefits system.

The council's housing benefit bill – paid directly from Government – rose from £19.1m in 2004/05 to £33.4m in 2010/11.

TaxPayers' Alliance spokesman Emma Boon said: "Many middle- or low-income families face a choice at some stage about whether they can afford a house of sufficient size to accommodate a large family in their area or whether they are going to have to

move to somewhere more affordable.

"It is unfair to say that those on benefits should not have to face this same choice."

New rules cap annual housing benefit claims from £104,000 to £20,800 now while a planned £25,000 limit on all benefits could hit rent payments further.

A spokesman for the Department for Work and Pensions said: "It's not fair that benefit claimants can receive higher incomes than families who are in work."

But critics warn new housing benefit rates could force people out of their homes.

Banbury Labour Party chairman Derek Evans said he was concerned by a recent Audit Commission report which highlighted Cherwell's errors in payment of housing and council tax benefit.

He said of the biggest claim: "If they are living in such a large house there are presumably children and it could cost us a lot more in rehousing and the disruption of children's education."



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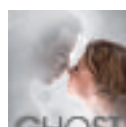
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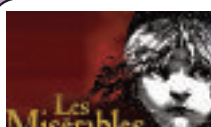
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Diversity is the key, says motorsport firm's chief

MOTORSPORT firm Prodrive said it is set to double in size after announcing a move to the former Hella Manufacturing factory in Banbury's Southam Road.

The firm, which is behind the new Mini world rally team, intends to increase the number of employees from 450 to 700 within three years.

Chairman David Richards said: "This is an extremely

diverse business and it is this diversity which is helping us weather the economic turbulence.

"Those areas of the business that are performing well support those currently finding trading more difficult and despite this challenging environment we have increased our turnover to more than £100m in 2011 and anticipate continued growth this year."

RIGHT:
Prodrive
chairman
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Richards



The secret of growth

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Ms Brewin said: "Our aim is to grow a viable, sustainable business and that means not being too reliant on one sector and developing long-term relationships."

InBRIEF

Restaurants in jobs pledge

■ ABOUT 18 new jobs are set to be created in McDonald's restaurants across Oxfordshire this year. McDonald's has ten restaurants in the county including one in Banbury. McDonald's franchisee Carl Room, who owns four of the restaurants, said: "The job market is tough, and young people are taking the biggest hit, so I am pleased to be able to offer young people in Oxfordshire the chance of a job. All of our people have the chance to learn whilst they earn. Gaining nationally-recognised qualifications whilst getting experience in the world of work means that we can give young people a good grounding whether they stay and progress through the company or move on elsewhere."

■ Report shows that Oxfordshire seems to be bucking recession

Survey reveals upbeat economic trend

By Andrew Smith

BUSINESSES in Oxfordshire are bucking the trend in battling the toughest economic times in a generation, according to a new survey. More than 50 county directors contributed to the report.

The survey focused on firms' performances during the past three months, with business leaders offering predictions for the first quarter of this year.

The Business Barometer survey, conducted by Oxfordshire legal firm Withy King, shows 68 per cent of firms questioned were enjoying an increase in turnover. More than half said they expected it to go up again this year, while just four per cent saw a decrease.

A total of 85 per cent of companies either created jobs or kept their headcount at a steady level in 2011 and 32 per cent are planning to take on more staff this year.

More than half saw new orders increase last year, with just nine per cent reporting a fall.

Meanwhile, more than two thirds of directors want to invest, this quarter, in areas of their business including staff,

premises and research and development.

Withy King employment law partner Mark Emery said: "Given the national outlook, the results were surprising but pleasing, as Oxfordshire seems to be bucking the trend.

"Most companies said they would be hiring or maintaining headcounts in early 2012 – in sharp contrast to other parts of the UK, which paint a very different picture."

It came as new unemployment figures showed the number of people claiming benefit in the county fell for the fourth successive month. Latest figures for

December show 7,611 signed on the dole, down by one on the previous month. Nationally the figure rose by more than 10,000 to 1,568,849.

Nigel Wild, president of the Oxfordshire Chamber of Commerce, said a major reason for Oxfordshire's success was the fact that it is a centre for hi-tech industry.

He added: "We are fortunate to be part of 'motorsport valley', with many racing teams and their suppliers based here, while we are also a centre for the biotech and life sciences industry."

Other factors business leaders say make Oxfordshire stand out from the economic gloom include good transport links, proximity to London and Birmingham, a highly educated workforce and good value commercial property.

The survey's findings are in stark contrast to recent headlines surrounding high street businesses, with a host of retailers in trouble.

Meanwhile, business leaders have welcomed the survey.

Bob Bradley, chairman of directors' leadership development group MD2MD, said: "There are many businesses growing profits and gaining market share rapidly. They are distinguishing themselves by focusing on what they are really good at – running a tight ship and delivering great value."



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Swimathon rallying call

■ **SWIMMERS** are being urged to sign up to the 25th annual Swimathon weekend and raise money for a cancer charity. Last year 447 Oxfordshire swimmers took part at their local pool and raised a £27,369.51 for Marie Curie Cancer Care. Swimmers can choose from the five kilometres, 2.5k or team 5k challenges in the event between April 27 and 29. For details visit swimathon.org

Costs rise but council magazine is to stay



Finance chief Ken Attack

By Oliver Evans

A COUNCIL has refused to axe a "propaganda" magazine it delivers to homes, even after costs rose by almost a third.

Cherwell District Council has said it will not follow in the footsteps of two other authorities in the county which scrapped their magazines to save money.

Critics accuse the publications of peddling one-sided stories but council bosses said they were vital to inform residents.

Costs for the four editions of the *Cherwell Link* magazine went from £41,430 in 2010, to £52,895 last year.

Labour group leader Les Sibley backed two editions a year, saying: "Whilst it gives out useful information, sometimes it can be used as political propaganda."

The latest issue includes articles on a new food bank in Banbury, new flats for OAPs and "local democracy week".

Last year it featured articles about the "vibrant" controversial eco-town plan for Bicester and ran an article titled: "Why parking charges had to increase."

Conservative cabinet member for finance Ken Attack said: "It is merely to get over the good stories that are of interest to our ratepayers."

He said: "Some of it can be a little trivial, but other things are of interest by showing what we have spent. There is no political message in there at all."

Oxfordshire County Council axed *Oxon News* to save £180,000 a year in 2010 and the Vale of White Horse District Council shut *UnValed* to cut £39,600 last year.

The Government announced a code for council publications last February which demanded they were "objective" and "cost effective".

Local government minister Eric Pickles said councils must "focus taxpayers' money to where it should be spent – protecting frontline services".



Labour group leader Les Sibley

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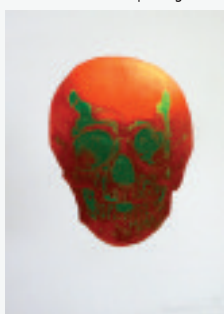
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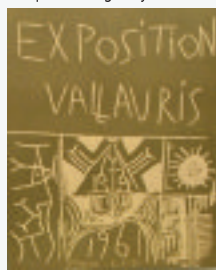
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Tragic parents in fundraising

A COUPLE, who lost their baby son when he was just a few weeks old, have held a second fundraising day in his memory.

Finnley Froude was born 12 weeks premature, weighing just 1lb 4oz and spent 18 weeks in the neonatal intensive care unit at the John Radcliffe Hospital, Oxford, in January 29.

But despite round-the-clock medical support, his heart was not strong enough to survive an infection and he died.

His parents, Luke and Gemma Froude, 30, from Banbury, embarked upon a mission to raise thousands of pounds for SSNAP, the charity which supports the special care bay unit at the hospital.

On Saturday, the day before what would have been Finnley's

second birthday, the couple hosted Finnley's Day at Banbury Town Hall, with a huge range of fundraising activities.

They first held the event to mark Finnley's first birthday in 2010.

Mr Froude said: "We raised about £6,000 last year but were only expecting to raise about £4,000 this year because people are a lot worse off now and you always get a big push the first time you do something."

"So we were quite chuffed to get about £5,950."

That brings the total the couple have raised for the cause, through a range of events, to about £30,000.

A helium balloon, to mark Finnley's birthday, was displayed at the town hall. His parents took the balloon to his graveside on Sunday.



Luke and Gemma Froude

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■ DOGS for the Disabled, a charity based in Banbury, is looking for runners to take part in the 31st BUPA Great North Run in September. The organisation needs people to help raise funds that will help transform the lives of people with disabilities and families who have children with autism.

To run for the charity visit dogsforthedisabled.org/support-us, email run@dogsforthedisabled.org or call 01295 252600.

High jump

■ OXFORDSHIRE Mind is calling on people to pluck up the courage and take part in a 12,000ft skydive to raise funds. Details: contact Nicky Clargo on 01865 263733 or nicky.clargo@oxfordshire-mind.org.uk

■ A glass of wine is now taking the place of age-old cup of tea

Traditions change in a modern WI renaissance

By Debbie Waite

JAM-MAKING is out and cocktails and little black dresses are in – according to some of the county's newest WI groups.

During 2011 four new branches sprang up in the county – four times the national average. And the women behind these groups are mostly in their 30s, 40s and even 20s.

"The Women's Institute is booming!" said a thrilled Penny Noble, spokesman for Oxfordshire Federation of Women's Institutes.

"Four is way over the normal number of new groups to be formed in any one county in a year. The national average was only one for most Federations and many of our new members are young women – so this is very

exciting news for us and for the future of the WI."

The WI's renaissance is remarkable, for as little as 15 years ago the organisation was in serious decline.

During the 80s it had almost half a million members and even the smallest village boasted its own branch.

But as older members died and younger women stayed away, many branches died too.

The organisation, which played an important role in the nation's food production and preservation during the First World War, had become outdated and was dismissed as a place where 'older' ladies made jam and sang *Jerusalem*.

But the WI was about to get sassy and sexy.

In 1999, the members of Rylston WI posed naked for a charity calendar and sparked a media frenzy which would even spawn a Hollywood movie.

Then, a year later, Prime Minister Tony Blair was slow

hand-clapped by WI members when he turned a speech at their annual conference at Wembley, into what some called a party political broadcast.

The WI is unpartisan but is regularly consulted by the Government on social issues, and also drives its own diverse national and global campaigns. These currently include action on climate change, violence against women and the protection of Britain's dairy farmers.

Long-standing WI member, Barbara Gray, now 80, said: "Some people prefer to keep the WI traditional, but I think that as long as they adhere to the WI constitution they will be carrying it forward into the future. And if they prefer to enjoy a glass of wine together instead of a cup of tea, then that's fine!"

One of the newest branches to be launched – WOWI – has Claire Storry, a 35-year-old Banbury police inspector, as their president. She said: "I came to the

group looking to make new friends after moving into the area.

"My granny was a WI member, and my mum too – although I think mum gave it up because she thought it had become too 'old'.

"Our group is young, forward-thinking and has lots of ideas.

"In the coming weeks we are learning about basic first aid and car maintenance. We will probably even be making jam eventually, as part of our plans to run a WI charity stall."

She added: "The WI may still have some stigma attached to it, but I think people who know about it respect its values and we certainly do. Now we want local women to come and join us."

WOWI meets at 7.30pm on the third Monday of the month at St Mary's Parish Rooms, Church Street, Chipping Norton.

Details on the new groups and WI branches in your area are available from OFWI: 01869 331081 or at: oxfordshirefwi.freeuk.com



A glass of wine ousts the traditional cup of tea as one of the newest WI branches meets in Chipping Norton. Drinking to success are Camilla Engberg, Sandra Grint and Clare Mackintosh

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After village is cut off by metal thieves, call for tougher sentences

By Laura Jones

VILLAGERS and politicians this week called for more security and harsher punishments for cable and metal thieves.

The call came after some 350 homes and businesses in Steeple Aston were cut off from phone and Internet services after more than a kilometre of copper cabling was stolen from the local exchange.

Now residents are demanding to be told why the telephone exchange, on South Side, was left unsecured as the thieves struck.

Tony Castle-Miller, of Middle Barton Garage, said: "I drove past the Steeple Aston exchange and it was wide open.

"A nice big padlock was hanging open. Why not put a sign there saying: 'Come back and help yourselves?'

"The following day it was still unlocked. It just makes a mockery of the security. It's incredibly frustrating."

Melvin Phipps, landlord of the local Red Lion pub, said that despite not being affected by the initial cable theft, their phone line was cut by the BT repair work.

He said: "Takings at the pub were down. We are fortunate that this was a Monday, if it had been a Friday or Saturday, that would have been devastating."

A BT spokesman said: "We are investigating this security lapse allegation but would stress that the security of our network is of paramount importance to us.

"Replacing the lost wire is proving complex to fix, as the thieves caused a lot of damage to the cable casing. This means we are having to do some extensive excavating work to repair this.

"Once we have completed the cabling, we will start restoring service to customers. Our engineers will work 24/7 to get this done."

MP Tony Baldry called on magistrates to take a stronger stance against convicted metal thieves.

Currently theft of metal is sentenced in the same way as an ordinary theft. A maximum sentence of six months in jail can be handed out at magistrates courts and a seven-year term at Crown courts.

Mr Baldry said: "I would have thought that magistrates should be committing metal thieves to Crown court, so that there is consistency of sentencing.



Tony Castle-Miller by the Steeple Aston telephone exchange that had been left unlocked, despite the cable theft from the exchange

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Questions asked over BT cable theft

"Without being melodramatic, it's only going to be a matter of time before this leads to somebody's death – when they are not able to dial 999."

Nick Gilbert, crime reduction officer for Thames Valley Police, said: "Thames Valley Police is

committed to tackling metal theft and bringing to justice those who carry out this type of offence.

"As part of this commitment, we have an ongoing multi-agency operation to target this offence – Operation Precious – which aims to reduce the

opportunity for thieves to sell on or dispose of stolen metal.

"We work closely with scrap-metal dealers to turn away and report any attempts to sell stolen metal. All those dealers participating in this are licensed by their local authority.

"There is no room for

complacency and we are taking every step we can to combat this.

Officers are equipped with ultra-violet lights to carry out checks for forensically-marked metal and, along with local authorities, regular inspections are carried out at scrap-metal and vehicle dismantler sites."

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Experts blame difficulties on recruiting and retaining specialists

Results reveal maths gloom

By Liam Sloan

CHILDREN failing maths at primary school are unlikely to ever catch up throughout their secondary school education, new GCSE results have shown for the first time.

New Department for Education data on Thursday broke down how 16-year-olds performed compared to the expectations set for them five years earlier after they sat their Key Stage Two exams.

While it showed 48 per cent of 11-year-olds in Oxfordshire went on to make the expected level of progress in English for their GCSEs, just 26 per cent of them achieved the same improvement in maths — which is similar to the national average.

Experts blame difficulties in recruiting and retaining specialist maths teachers, leaving the weakest students without the help they need.

Oxford University Professor John Howson said: "The picture is that if you are failed by the age of 11, the chances of you catching up are remote, unless you get some degree of special help or your parents are able to buy in private tuition outside of school."

He said: "For many years we have not had enough qualified maths teachers, and the data shows that schools have concentrated their best pupils resources on their most able pupils."

"We have maths teachers who add value where it is least difficult, but we do not have strength in depth."

Across the county, just 5.5 per cent of pupils with prior low attainment went on to get five A* to C grades, including English and maths.

No pupils with low results at Key Stage Two managed that at Bicester Community College, The Cherwell School, Fitzharrys School, Abingdon, Gillotts School, Henley, Icknield Community College, Watlington, John Mason School,

OXFORDSHIRE GCSE RESULTS 2011

SCHOOL	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	SCHOOL	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J
Abingdon School	147	99	65	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	436.7	Shiplake College	61	87	28	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	350.1
Banbury School	202	43	10	41	54	87	16	44	91	328.4	Sibford School	56	80	11	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	359.3
Bartholomew	172	69	33	81	62	92	31	84	97	349.9	St Birinus School	214	61	16	30	65	93	16	70	89	310.4
Bicester College	189	49	11	45	60	82	6	58	78	311.3	St Edward's	134	94	51	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	401.9
Blessed G Napier	143	68	17	69	74	91	38	72	91	356.3	St Gregory the Great	172	42	10	46	56	81	28	65	91	296.8
Bloxham School	73	88	42	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	376.6	St Helen's	83	100	88	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	452.8
Burford School	192	63	17	67	71	89	43	77	88	333	Cherwell School	267	62	33	48	73	92	43	60	92	353.8
Carterton College	144	46	3	33	47	83	21	78	89	346.7	Cooper School	153	55	14	68	83	93	36	62	85	352.2
Cheney School	237	53	23	65	72	89	34	62	92	334.1	Henry Box	224	59	31	68	65	87	21	70	96	343.7
Chiltern Edge	116	57	25	43	68	91	15	66	84	339.1	King's School	15	87	27	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	361.1
Chipping Norton	175	59	22	47	66	89	33	71	91	335.1	Marlborough	163	61	26	86	78	85	36	58	92	335.3
Cokethorpe	73	84	26	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	365.3	The Oratory	88	81	1	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	366.7
Cranford House	29	100	0	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	408.7	Oxford Acad	111	28	0	19	45	50	26	65	67	299.8
Didcot Girls'	216	65	23	46	68	86	18	73	92	347	The Warriner	224	67	14	42	74	82	24	79	96	337.7
d'Overbroeck's	35	91	23	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	398.3	Tudor Hall	58	95	76	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	397.9
Faringdon	171	63	16	73	70	96	20	62	86	360.1	Wallingford	171	61	15	44	80	95	32	77	88	321.2
Fitzharrys School	150	53	7	45	74	92	15	44	66	328.1	Wheatley Park	161	64	25	36	71	78	25	65	91	327.7
Gillotts School	180	67	31	87	71	75	29	59	83	362.6	Wood Green	193	60	32	23	56	76	17	64	91	337
Gosford Hill	176	59	18	28	68	79	21	69	77	333.1	Wychwood	24	83	17	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	350.1
Headington	111	97	77	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	436.1											
Icknield	124	52	14	47	48	91	18	71	97	318.9											
John Mason	164	60	18	28	77	92	36	73	92	334.8											
King Alfred's	281	62	16	35	53	80	38	78	93	367.6											
Kingham Hill	47	70	11	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	320.7											
Langtree School	107	64	20	57	73	94	30	80	87	336.4											
Larkmead School	125	49	16	41	72	86	15	65	90	298.5											
Lord Williams's	319	62	24	47	63	85	3	61	82	334.9											
Magdalen College	84	99	92	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	456.7											
Matthew Arnold	174	73	19	67	84	92	27	69	90	350.1											
North Oxon Acad	139	49	1	44	64	97	22	58	83	335.5											
Our Lady's	57	100	68	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	402.3											
Oxford High	86	100	92	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	450.7											
Radley College	135	99	60	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	432.9											
Rye St Antony	39	87	77	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	395.4											
Shifa School	11	9	0	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	78											

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Abingdon, Lord Williams's School, Thame, and The Oxford Academy.

At a scrutiny meeting reviewing school results last year, the county council's then deputy director of education Jan Paine said retaining good maths teachers was a "key problem" for Oxfordshire's schools.

She said good mathematicians were often recruited by hi-tech Oxfordshire businesses, while teachers' salaries in Oxfordshire received no weighting despite high house prices.

"We get university students coming here for a year or two, but when they want to buy a home they cannot afford it and move elsewhere," she said.

Even in high-performing schools, the gap between English and maths results among low achieving pupils is stark.

Among low achievers, there is a 40 percentage point gap between rates of progress in English and maths at top-ranked Matthew Arnold School, Oxford, 53 percentage points at Faringdon Community College, 50 percentage points at The Marlborough School, Woodstock, and 44 percentage points at Lord Williams's School.

Employers said school-leavers were left unemployed because they were innumerate.

Oxfordshire Federation of Small Businesses chairman, Margaret Coles, said: "One

young man was supposedly in the top set and came to work for a joinery business, yet he couldn't measure in metric units or do the basic mathematical things you need to be a joiner.

"He lasted five minutes.

"Another instance in an Alfa Romeo garage in Oxfordshire was exactly the same. Two apprentices did not have the sufficient maths to be able to do the job."

She said: "We are concerned about the quality generally of education in Oxfordshire, and from personal experience at one Oxfordshire school, in my son's first year he was taught maths by a person who was not a maths graduate."



Concerned . . . Margaret Coles

COUNTY A-LEVELS 2001

SCHOOL	A	B	C	SCHOOL	A	B	C
Abingdon & Witney	399	613.9	46	Oxford High	67	1038.1	5
Abingdon School	144	989.8	7	Oxford Spire	n/a	n/a	n/a
Banbury School	111	635.9	45	Radley College	135	1083.2	3
Bartholomew School	77	821.7	17	Rye St Antony	24	792.5	23
Bellerby's College	15	1021	6	Shiplake College	55	686.9	42
Bicester College	45	811.2	35	Sibford School	37	678.9	43
Blessed G Napier	60	723.5	16	St Birinus School	70	611	47
Bloxham School	80	832.5	15	St Clare's, Oxford	94	1176.1	1
Burford	70	812.6	18	St Edward's	134	808.4	19
Cheney School	82	733.6	31	St Gregory the Great	53	710.3	36
Chipping Norton	96	696.4	40	St Helen's	81	977	8
Cokethorpe School	76	700.9	38	Cherwell School	211	928	11
Didcot Girls' School	77	717.9	33	The Henley College	745	765.1	28
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Our Lady's Abingdon	29	893.3	12				
Ox & Cherwell Valley	915	580.1	48				

THE KEY

A: Number of students sitting A-Levels
B: Points per student (A grade worth 270, B worth 240, C worth 210, D worth 180 and an E worth 150)
C: Oxfordshire ranking
Source: Dept for Education



Top marks . . . David Wilson, headteacher at Faringdon Community College which posted the best A-Level results among Oxfordshire's state schools

OXON BELOW THE NATIONAL AVERAGE

OVERALL, Oxfordshire's GCSE performance fell below the national average for the first time, with 57.4 per cent of pupils getting five A* to C grades including English and maths, compared to 58.2 per cent across England.

The figures also show only 126 out of the 502 GCSE pupils in Oxfordshire receiving free school meals achieved five good grades including English and maths, compared to 60 per cent of their peers.

However, six of the county's best private schools once again made it into the list of the county's top performing schools.

St Helen and St Katharine, in Abingdon, was ranked the 56th best school in the country based on its GCSE results, with Oxford High School, Our Lady's Abingdon, Magdalen College School, Abingdon School and Radley College also appearing in the top 200.

At A-Level, Faringdon Community College posted the best state school results in the county, with students achieving an average of 929.4 points. St Clare's International, Oxford, was Oxfordshire's best performing private institution.

Further details: www.banburycake.co.uk/li/all_secondary_schools.in.Banbury/

■ Report reveals that rate has gone up by almost ten per cent

The rising toll of people going into bankruptcy

By Chris Koenig

THE number of people petitioning for bankruptcy in Oxfordshire has risen by almost ten per cent in a year, latest figures have revealed.

Statistics released by the Insolvency Service show that between January and the end of September 2011 there were 385 petitioners, compared to 351 in the same period in 2010.

In Oxfordshire as a whole the total number of people becoming bankrupt, entering into Individual Voluntary Arrangements or Debt Relief Orders has increased from 4,700 in every 10,000 in 2007, to 27 people in 2009 - the latest year for which figures are available.

In 2011 there were 275 affected individuals in the county, according to statistics from the Insolvency Service, and in 2009 there were 1,359.

Nationally there were 7,434 people registered as insolvent in the third quarter of 2011. In the same quarter of 2011 there were 30,219

and retail experts reckon the growing financial squeeze on individuals is having a knock-on effect for high street retailers with the list of those hitting the rocks lengthening.

Graham Jones, spokesman for the Oxford High Street Business Association, said: "There is a downward spiral here with this knock-on effect.

"As more people feel the pinch they cease to spend money in shops - and more retailers then go into administration."

He added: "These are tough times and independent retailers will now think very carefully about buying in more stock - which of course will affect the supply chain further up the line."

Household names that have either gone into administration or applied to do so in the last couple of months include: Past Times, Barratts Shoes, lingerie company La Senza, toy retailer Hawkins Bazaar, and Blacks Leisure, all of which had outlets



Graham Jones

in the county.

On top of these Little Chef has announced the closure of 67 of its 161 outlets and Thomas Cook has rescheduled its debts.

The total number of retailers in England and Wales falling into administration in 2011 increased by 11 per cent to 183, compared to the previous year, according to research by business advisors Deloitte.

Lee Manning, Deloitte's restructuring services partner, said 2011 was a "tough year" for retailers and added the trend was set to continue in 2012.

He added: "Many retailers would have been banking on a busy Christmas period to give them a much needed sales uplift, but retailers were forced into discounting at levels last seen in the aftermath of the collapse of Lehman Brothers, putting severe pressure on margins."

Mr Manning said there were likely to be more administrations in the first quarter of 2012, as retailers buckled under the pressure of VAT payments due, impending rent payments and the increased popularity of online shopping.

Findings from Deloitte's recent Consumer Tracker, a new regular monitor of consumer confidence and spending habits, found that one in five households had seen a reduction in income as a result of unemployment, loss of bonuses, reductions in overtime and increased part-time working.

Relief as jobs are saved

WORKERS at the Banbury HQ of utilities contractor Fountains are breathing a sigh of relief after their jobs were saved.

The future of the 132 staff working at Blenheim Court, George Street, were under a cloud after the firm, which specialises in vegetation management, estate cleaning, ground maintenance and forestry services, was taken into administration.

But the majority of the firm, including the Banbury

operation, has been bought by facilities and forestry management firm OCS Group.

The workers are among 1,570 Fountains Group employees to transfer to OCS Group. But a further 446 staff across the UK have been made redundant.

Tony Nygate, of administrators BDO, said: "A sale of Fountains Group was the best option to secure the future of the business, which has been exposed to the difficult economic climate."

InBRIEF

Cancer advice

■ A BIOMEDICAL scientist is to address a meeting of a support group for people affected by lymphatic cancer. Karen Fido will speak to the North Oxfordshire Lymphoma Association support group at the Horton General Hospital on February 15 at 7pm. Details: 0808 808 5555 or visit lymphomas.org.uk



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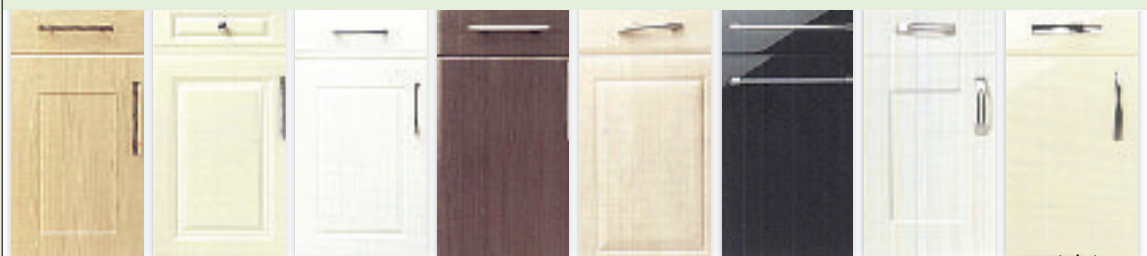
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Banbury clubs in merger

By Ed Mezzetti

Move to 'provide best possible cricket in town'

BANBURY'S two main cricket clubs have amalgamated to "provide the best possible standard of cricket within the town".

Members of Banbury and Banbury Twenty voted on the union – which will see the new club field five senior teams – at their respective annual meetings. The amalgamated clubs will play under the name Banbury Cricket, but the grounds at White Post Road, Bodicote, and Ermont Way, Grimsbury, will continue to operate under their original management.

And with Twenty having struggled with dwindling player numbers in recent seasons, the merger is not wholly unexpected.

Banbury's first and second

teams will play at White Post Road, with their third and fourths at Ermont Way and the fifths at Horton View.

Martin Phillips and Brian Griffiths will act as joint chairmen, while Ian Hawtin is the first-team captain.

Mr Phillips, the former Banbury chairman, said: "The main reason for the amalgamation is to ensure that good club cricket is available in Banbury for years to come."

"The two clubs have produced great cricketers over the years, from Brian Jeffries to Keith Arnold to Robert Cunliffe to Luke Ryan."

"Protecting both clubs' proud histories is important, but more so is ensuring Banbury's stars of the future have as good, if not

better opportunities than those who have gone before them."

Mr Griffiths, who was Twenty's chairman, said: "The idea of an amalgamation was raised by our committee at the end of the 2011 season."

"We have been delighted with

the reception the idea has received from the membership of both clubs. Everyone has been focusing on the many positives ahead and we are excited at the standard and variety of cricket we will see at both grounds in 2012."

Banbury will field sides in the Home Counties Premier League and Divisions 1, 3, 5 and 7 of the Cherwell League.

The merger means that Twenty's second team are effectively withdrawn from the Cherwell League – having

finished last in Division 5 in 2011.

Cherwell League chairman Clive Rickis said: "Banbury Twenty have been struggling to raise sides for a couple of years."

"They felt that having another local Cherwell League club in Horley may not help their player recruitment either. Rather than seeing a great club go to the wall, this is a nice solution."

The former chairman of Banbury Martin Phillips (second from left) shakes hands with former Banbury Twenty counterpart Brian Griffiths on a deal to amalgamate the town's two senior clubs. Also pictured are Keith Arnold, Geoff Hawkins and Steve Beck



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After 25 years, it's farewell

IN a world of instant fame and disposable pop, one band stands out as keepers of the faith.

Serving up scorching rock, blues and r'n'b, for more than 20 years, few bands can match *The Hamsters* in either dedication or raw talent.

A live favourite the length of the country – and beyond – these Essex-born Thames Estuary guitar masters are among the hardest-working acts on the planet, touring solidly since the late 80s.

Like all good things, however, the fun is about to end. Yes, it's hard to imagine, but frontman Slim (aka Barry Martin), drummer Rev Otis, and bass player Zsa Zsa are calling it a day. Don't start crying just yet, though, because there is one last chance to see the rodent rockers, right here at one of their favourite venues – the Mill, in Banbury.

The show is part of their farewell tour, and follows a packed-out show in Oxford late last year. And it will see the lads performing not only their own songs, but also outstanding versions of the best of Hendrix and ZZ-Top, of whose music Slim is undoubtedly the best UK interpreter.

"I like to think we are

By Tim Hughes

entertaining people and do our best. People wonder why we aren't involved in the mainstream, but we make a living out of something we enjoy, and no-one tells us what to do.

"We are now completing our 25th and final year together, having performed 4,500 concerts and with a national mailing list exceeding 20,000. This has been achieved purely by hard work, and with the band handling all our own affairs."

Originally forming for their own amusement, the band took their name from the Sex Pistols, who once used it as a pseudonym to outwit hostile councils.

Members have performed with artists such as Eric Clapton, Alison Moyet, Doctor Feelgood, Walter Trout and the late, great Alexis Korner.

"We enjoy the irony of being an aggressive band with a cuddly name," says Slim. "And although we are serious about what we do, we don't take ourselves too seriously!"

Tickets for the show, this Saturday, are guaranteed to go quickly, and fans are strongly

advised to get in quickly for the final chance to see a group described by Fleetwood Mac legend Peter Green as "the best little band in the country".

Slim said: "We've played hard and for a long time, but the time has come for me to try something new. We will retire on the weekend of March 31, 25 years to the day since we had our first rehearsal."

"We've long discussed ending the Hamsters adventure at the completion of a quarter century as we've each got a lot of other things we'd like to do."

A keen historian, Slim is now keen to swap his trademark Burnin' Vermin guitar for a trowel, and delve into the world of archaeology.

But before then, he admits, he has got some serious rocking to do.

"We will play our final show at The Mill on Saturday and hope to see our fans down the road for one last blast!"

■ The Hamsters play The Mill, Banbury, on Saturday. Tickets are £13.50 in advance, from the box office on 01295 279002.

The band's latest album, *The Jimi Hendrix 40th Anniversary Memorial Concerts*, is out now and will be on sale at the show.



The Hamsters, about to make their final visit to The Mill, Banbury

Ready for roadhouse rockers

■ FANS of Americana have only one place to go this weekend. For one night only, the Mill, in Banbury, will be transformed into a US roadhouse for a visit by one of the best country rock covers bands around – Talon.

The versatile foursome, best known for their Eagles tribute, will perform their Acoustic Collection show, featuring unplugged classics by the likes of James Taylor, Simon and Garfunkel, Cat Stevens, Crosby Stills and Nash, John Denver, and even Michael Jackson.

The line-up features Chris Lloyd on acoustic guitar and keyboards, Peter Anderson on electric and acoustic guitars and piano, Jonny Miller on bass and piano, and Tony Vegas on electric and slide guitar.

Mill programme manager Deborah Clarke said: "To have them and The Hamsters in one weekend is a luxury."

They touch down at the venue on Friday. The show starts at 8pm. Tickets are £14 from the box office on 01295 279002.

■ For something a bit more... well, British... check out the same venue on February 10, when it hosts a set by the Mods.

Described by a certain London-based listings mag as "the best 20s tribute band in the world",



Talon: Eagles tribute band to visit The Mill, Banbury

Johnny Warman and his group uncannily revive the heady days of parkers, sharp suits and scooter rides to Brighton, with punchy performances of the music of Steve Marriott, Small Faces, Humble Pie, The Kinks, The Who and The Animals.

Their show at The Mill will see them also delving into the music loved by what one might imagine were their arch rivals – the rockers.

Tickets are £10 in advance, or £12 on the door. Call the box office on 01295 279002.

■ For a change of pace, why not soak up a bit of culture on Sunday, courtesy of one of the world's top orchestras – the Royal Philharmonic.

The concert, at the Royal & Derngate in Northampton, is billed as a Spanish Fiesta, and will blow away those winter blues with pieces by Faure (Pavane), Rodrigo

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The concert starts at 7.30pm, with a pre-concert talk at 6.30pm. Ticket prices vary. Go to www.royalandderngate.co.uk for details.

■ A final reminder that this week sees the Banbury leg of Oxfordshire's hottest new music competition.

The MMG Battle of the Bands contest rolls into Banbury tomorrow for a tournament of riffery at The Chapel.

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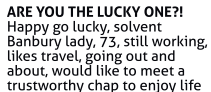
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NEW IN TOWN Easygoing, slim woman, 65, 5'6", blonde, likes jazz, live shows, reading and walks, seeks down-2-earth male, for genuine friendship and more.. Box **100721**

DOWN TO EARTH Happy, slim lady, 67, 5'6", med build, love walking, cooking, gardening, kisses and cuddles, looking for a non-smoking, clean-shaven man, 59-65, for a relationship. Swindon.. Box **454288 T**

GREAT COMPANIONS Widow lady, 72, likes animals, music, theatre, wlm easygoing gent, 60-70 for companionship maybe more.. Box **104917 T**

ARE YOU THE LUCKY ONE? Happy go lucky, solvent Banbury lady, 73, still working, likes travel, going out and about, would like to meet a trustworthy chap to enjoy life together.. Box **115637**



Men seeking women

BE YOURSELF Affectionate, honest, slightly disabled Oxford male, 35, wide circle of friends, can be a bit shy at times, loves history, watching sci fi, looking for a strong minded woman.. Box **115975**

WE COULD BE GOOD TOGETHER Down to earth male, 36, enjoys cycling, walking, travelling, seeks laid back female, for good times and more. Swindon.. Box **100773 T**

TIME TO SHARE Lively Oxford male, 38, 5'10", med build, enjoys motorbikes, clubs, cinema, meals and more, searching for a loving woman, to share friendship and more.. Box **117999 T**

PLENTY OF TLC Loving male, 39, 5'7", usual interests, from Didcot, looking for love and romance.. Box **111253 T**

PERFECT HARMONY Fun loving, easygoing, tactile Witney biker, 40, 6', stocky build, shaven head and goatee, seeks fun loving, cheeky lady to share life with.. Box **108055**

THAT WONDERFUL FEELING Laid back, sporty Woodstock male, 41, likes family life, nights in & out, having a laugh, seeks warm hearted easygoing female, for good company.. Box **114348 T**

LIFE IS MADE FOR TWO Happy, active Abingdon man, 45, GSOH, med build, positive, enjoys walking, swimming and cinema, would like to meet a similar lady, 50-75, fit and positive, for friendship and maybe more.. Box **114348 T**

PART OF YOUR WORLD Genuine male, 45, single dad, likes weekends away, family life, socialising, looking for a outgoing female, for fun, friendship and more. Newbury.. Box **103015**

HOPE FOR US Youthful, blue-eyed male, 46, enjoys the gym and good times, searching for a nice, honest woman. Oxford.. Box **100657 T**

IT'S NOT UNUSUAL Friendly Witney male, 47, 6', blue eyes, enjoys sports, music, cosy nights in, going out and having a laugh, would like to meet a female friend, for good company and laughter.. Box **115039 T**

TAKE A TRIP WITH ME Open minded Oxford guy, 49, likes all kinds of music, reading, visiting galleries, going to the cinema, eating out, walking and good conversation, wlm a female to share good times with.. Box **115321 T**

LOVE TO HAVE A LAUGH Friendly, warm hearted Abingdon male, 49, good sense of humour, would like to meet a caring matured guy, to enjoy good times together, for a long term relationship.. Box **115894 T**

LITERALLY SPEAKING Easygoing Wantage male, 50, works full-time, likes most sports, would like to meet a friendly female for good times leading to more.. Box **119054 T**

TIME FOR A CHANGE Easygoing, active Kidlington male, 50, likes meals out, cinema, country walks and all the things couples do together, looking for that special female, to spend some quality time with.. Box **114479 T**

MORE IN TIME Friendly male, 51, 5'5", blue eyes, works with horses, seeking a loving female, 40-60 to settle down with.. Box **104741 T**

LOTS OF AFFECTION Divorced, caring, trustworthy male, 51, loves the country life, pubs, history, DIY, motor sports, wlm sincere woman, to settle down with. Wallingford.. Box **102120 T**

NOT TO BE MISSED Spontaneous, caring, hard working Oxford guy, 53, likes music, cooking, live bands, good wines, F1 racing, would like to meet a simple woman to share life with.. Box **115773 T**

ASIAN AND CONSIDERATE Kind gent, 53, 5'4", enjoys good company, conversations, eating out, country walks and photography, seeking a lovely lady for long term relationship.. Box **116626 T**

SEE WHERE IT GOES Confident, honest, trustworthy Abingdon male, 53, 5'6", medium build, non smoker, seeks a down to earth woman 33-55, for a long term relationship.. Box **117101 T**

IN IT FOR THE LONG RUN Genuine bloke, 54, from Didcot, happy go lucky person, looking for a young at heart lady to enjoy life with.. Box **111665 T**

MAKING IT HAPPEN Laid back male, 55, 5'7", muscular build, looking for a fun female, 40-60 for fun, laughter & more. Reading.. Box **104111**

LOVE THE COMPANY Down to earth male, 55, 5'10", gsoh, many interests, seeks female, 35-60 any race, for fun, laughter and more. Banbury.. Box **104545**

A FUTURE FILLED WITH HEART Divorced, young to heart male, 55, own house in Oxford, likes cinema, theatre, clubs, seeks caring female, for happy times and more.. Box **107632**

STAR GAZER We are all in the gutter but I am a star gazer, if you are a firm fragrant female and would like to meet a surprising fit 55yr old male, I am waiting.. Box **116935 T**

THE HONEST KIND Easygoing male, 56, from Oxford, likes cinema, sports, nights in, seeks female for friendship leading to more.. Box **110649**

A FRESH START Country loving man, 57, 6ft tall, blue eyes, average build. I'd love to meet a nice lady to go out with and have fun again. Abingdon.. Box **463069 T**

MAKE THE CONNECTION Outgoing widower, 57, smoker, N/D, lives in Oxford, looking for a nice female for good times and more.. Box **108952**

SHARING GOOD TIMES Upbeat Burford widower, 57, own cars, works full time, likes days in and out, countryside walks, driving, looking for a similar woman for companionship.. Box **117916 T**

PASSION FLOWER Young looking 58yr old, 5'9", dark hair, wears glasses, enjoys cinema, bowling, days out, socialising, seeks loving, loyal female, for LTR. Wallingford.. Box **101122 T**

LOOKING FOR LTR Youthful, solvent, active retired businessman, 65, 5'9", 11st, own home and car, loves music, places of interest and experiencing the new, seeking a loving, feminine woman, to share a warmth.. Box **109799**

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Comedy that boasts a black heart

RIGHT: Charlize Theron, as Mavis Gary, in a scene from *Young Adult*

YOUNG ADULT (15, 93 mins)
Comedy/Drama/Romance.
Charlize Theron, Patton Oswalt, Patrick Wilson, Elizabeth Reaser, Jill Eikenberry, Mary Beth Hurt. Director: Jason Reitman.

GENTLEMEN don't prefer blondes in *Young Adult*, a scabrous black comedy about a faded beauty queen who clings on to the past to avoid acknowledging the loneliness and despair that hangs over her like cheap perfume.

Penned by Diablo Cody, the film reunites the Oscar-winning screenwriter with director Jason Reitman following their collaboration on *Juno*.

This is a very different proposition: the youthful exuberance and sassy wit of the characters in the earlier film has mouldered into weariness and cynicism here, embodied by a conniving anti-heroine who attempts to woo back her married high school sweetheart.

Charlize Theron fearlessly sinks her teeth into the lead role, shedding her image as a glamour puss to embrace the questionable hygiene of a woman whose exercise regime comprises a quick burst on a video game fitness program while her unloved pet dog yaps outside

on the balcony. Cody doesn't sugar-coat this bitter pill: the central protagonist is deeply unlikeable and once the end credits roll, it's debatable if she has learned anything from her attempts to destroy the lives of decent, hard-working folk.

Mavis Gary (Theron) is a mediocre writer who lives in Minneapolis and has seen the popularity of her Waverly Prep novels for young adults wane.

Desperate for creative inspiration for the final book in the series, Mavis is distracted by an email from old boyfriend Buddy Slade (Patrick Wilson) and his wife, Beth (Elizabeth Reaser), announcing the birth of their daughter.

Convinced that this is a sign from the universe that she should win back Buddy, Mavis travels to her hometown of Mercury, where she flirts outrageously with her former beau but he appears completely oblivious to the shortness of her skirt.

Another old class mate, Matt Freehauf (Patton Oswalt), witnesses Mavis in action and he becomes her unwitting accomplice.

"Buddy Slade and I are meant to be together, and I'm here to get him back," she tells Matt.

Mavis doesn't care who gets hurt in the process, noting, "Sometimes, in order to heal, a few people have to get hurt."

Young Adult is distinguished by a



stand-out performance from Theron, who relishes the ugliness of her character and doesn't try to soften Mavis's jagged edges.

Oswalt is an appealing and quirky sidekick and Wilson flashes a winning smile as the golden boy who seems naive to the destruction being wrought.

Colourful supporting performances include Jill Eikenberry, as Mavis's mother.

Cody's script eschews sentimentality and is peppered with some acidic one-liners. Her determination to avoid convention catches the eye but doesn't quite seduce the heart.



Win tickets

JUST so you feel like you really are at the movies, the Banbury Cake and Odeon Cinema Banbury have teamed up to offer you the chance to catch up on the latest action blockbusters, sci-fi epics and family favourites.

Yes, every week in the Banbury Cake we'll be offering free tickets to go and see some of the silver screen's must-see movies.

And this week, we're offering a pair of tickets to see *Young Adult*, or any other film, showing at the Odeon cinema in Horse Fair.

To stand a chance of winning, correctly answer the following question:

■ **Young Adult stars?**

- a. Charlize Theron?
- b. Jessica Rabbit?
- c. Jessie the Cowgirl?

Email your answer to jeremy.smith@nqo.com by noon, next Monday.

You must include a daytime telephone number as you will be contacted by phone. Normal Newsquest rules apply. The editor's decision is final.

Good luck!



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Events

SATURDAY: National Libraries
Day: Library, Main Road, Middleton Cheney. Support the local library and see what happens inside it. 10-2pm. 01295 710796.

SUNDAY: Kaleidoscope: Tooleys Boatyard, Banbury Museum
Spiceball Park Road, Banbury. Jan 27-Mar 31. Paintings by Don Henderson and the ceramics of Stephen Bird. Free. Viewing Tue-Sun, 11-4pm. 01295 272917.

Music

THURSDAY: The Theatre, Spring Street, Chipping Norton: Gaga. A tribute to Queen. £15, concession £13. 7.45pm. 01608 642350.

SATURDAY: General Foods Club, Spiceball Park Road, Banbury: Phil King and The Royals (four-piece band). 9pm. £1. 01295 252852.

SS Peter and Paul Church,

Church Street, Deddington: Music's Jubilee. English music for Strings and Harp. Corona Strings with David Watkins, (harp), conductor Janet Lincé. Easy parking nearby. £18 and £14. 7.30pm. 01865 305305.

Sun Inn, High Street, Hook Norton: Pete McCray, with soul, reggae and more. Everyone welcome. Free admission. 9pm. 01608 737570.

Cinema

Odeon, Horsefair, Banbury: A Monster In Paris, U, Sat 11.45am, Sun 11am*; (3-D) Sat-Sun 2pm. Chronicle, 12A, daily 4, 6.15, 8.15pm. Hugo, U, Sun 11.30am. War Horse, 12A, daily 1.15*, 4.30*, 7.45pm* (audio-description available; subtitled Tue 4.30pm). Senior Screen: The Ides of March, 15, Wed doors 10.45am*, programme 11am*, ends 12.56pm. Odeon Kids: Diary of a Wimpy Kid

II - Rodrick rules, U, Sat doors 10.45am*, programme 11am*, ends 12.45pm*. Box office: 0871 224 4007.

Theatre

Mill Arts Centre, Spiceball Park, Banbury: Feb 4, Comedy with Henning Wehn - *No Surrender*. German comedy ambassador to the UK. £12, concession £10. 7pm.

The Theatre, Spring Street, Chipping Norton: Feb 2, GaGa. Tribute to Queen. 7.45pm. £15, concession £13. Feb 3, Andrew Lawrence- stand-up comic. £13, conc £11. 7.45pm. Feb 6, Ffirst in a series of annual auctions by a keen supporter of The Theatre. We hope to raise £15,000 from the evening to be opened by guest of honour Robert Hardy. Bring your cheque book. 7.30pm. £12 admission. Box office: 01608 642350



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Team bounces back after three defeats on the trot

Johnson double boosts Banbury



Banbury's Ricky Johnson

BANBURY United manager **Ady Fuller** got the response he was looking for, after three successive **Evo-Stik Southern League, Premier Division** defeats.

On Saturday his team produced a rampant display at Spencer Stadium, which featured a brace from Ricky Johnson.

The hosts took the lead in the fifth minute, when Danny Edmond turned and fired a low shot past Stourbridge keeper Lewis Solly

Banbury Utd (Edmond 5, Johnson 38, 90+3, Blake 53)	4
Stourbridge (Rock 25)	1

after good work by Ben Polk and Johnson. Stourbridge equalised when a speculative John Griffin shot came back off a post, and Sam Rock stabbed in the rebound.

Banbury regained the lead in the 38th minute with a spectacular 20-yard volley from Johnson.

Eight minutes after the break, Josh Blake nodded home to make it 3-1.

Solly saved brilliantly from Johnson and Blake, but was beaten again in injury time.

The keeper got his hand to Ryan Howell's header, but Johnson smashed in the rebound from ten yards.

Banbury Utd: Kemp, Coleman, Polk (Kinch 51), Dolman, Chilton, Howell, Williams, Cole, Johnson (Angus 90+3), Blake (Fraser 79), Edmond. Subs not used: Thackeray, Richardson. Attendance: 314.

BTCC's Plato to lead a British MG 'dream team'

MG Motor UK has announced it will enter the 2012 BTCC Series with a "dream team" of cars, drivers, constructors and sponsors.

Two MG6 GT cars will run in the all-new MG KX Momentum Racing team, piloted by Oxfordshire's double BTCC champion Jason Plato and BTCC rising star Andy Neale.

The cars will be prepared by Triple Eight Race Engineering, of Greatworth – one of the most successful constructors in touring car racing. And completing the "dream team" are principal sponsors Tesco Fuels with their Momentum 99 brand and KX energy drink completing an all-British line-up.

MG KX Momentum Racing will debut at Brands Hatch on April 1 when the 2012 Dunlop MSA BTCC championship season gets underway.

The MG6 GT five-door fastback

is the first all-new MG in 16 years. It is designed and engineered at MG Motor UK's plant in Birmingham, where final assembly of the roadcars also take place.

Plato is the most successful driver in BTCC racing history with 68 career wins, with more fastest laps, pole and podium positions than any other driver in the history of the series.

Plato said: "It's really exciting to be involved in a brand-new all-British team and it's just brilliant that the iconic name of MG will be back on the track."

Guy Jones, MG Motor's sales and marketing director, said: "We are delighted that the new MG6 will be seen by millions of fans in Britain and beyond and this continues the famous sporting lineage of the brand."

Triple Eight, headed by Ian Harrison, which is based just a few miles from the Silverstone race circuit, has more than 100 BTCC race wins to its credit.



Jason Plato

STARS with Claire Petulengro

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<p>ARIES Mar 21-Apr 19</p> <p>During the coming seven days, you finally get the chance to start to turn your dreams into a reality. Some sort of a restriction or set back which you faced before is lifted and you get the green light. Save money though during the week. It's your ticket to the freedom you've been asking for if you do. Give me a call now to hear why I'm so sure heart to hearts can go in your favour.</p> <p>0906 585 4360</p>	<p>LIBRA Sep 23-Oct 22</p> <p>You're finally getting more interested in yourself and you're ready to give up the bad habit or habits which did such a good job of dragging you down at the beginning of the year. Moves are on the mind of many a Libran and this is a great time to find the right property or to get a good price for your abode. Give me a call now to hear why your house of love is looking so mysterious.</p> <p>0906 585 4366</p>
<p>TAURUS Apr 20-May 20</p> <p>You have not been happy in your work for some time now, but this week offers you the chance to do some fine tuning and to make your career more suited to your needs and desires. Jealousy in love at the weekend could force you to say something you will regret. Please beware and think before you speak. Give me a call now to hear why your love life is about to get very exciting.</p> <p>0906 585 4361</p>	<p>SCORPIO Oct 23-Nov 21</p> <p>You're growing up Scorpio and you're ready to take life seriously. I know you haven't always been a sign who was good with money, especially last November, but you start to make up for any bad actions this week when you commit to something which could be the beginning of really fruitful things for you. Phone me now to hear why you need to be extra careful with weekend flirtations.</p> <p>0906 585 4367</p>
<p>GEMINI May 21-Jun 20</p> <p>Things that you thought were not achievable for the future now become very possible thanks to the influence of a strong and powerful character who is now in your life and on hand to give you strength, courage and determination. Watch out for a demanding family member at the weekend. You may want to have an excuse at the ready to combat them with. Phone now to get your priorities in order.</p> <p>0906 585 4362</p>	<p>SAGITTARIUS Nov 22-Dec 21</p> <p>Expect the unexpected and you'll still be in for a surprise. It seems that someone wants something you don't want to give and you can only force a Sagittarian's hand so many times before they decide to make a stand. Advances from an unwelcome party must be cut off quickly and firmly and before Wednesday. Give me a call now to hear why I see such a bright future for you.</p> <p>0906 585 4368</p>
<p>CANCER Jun 21-Jul 22</p> <p>The home and your personal affairs take more of your money than you can spare but it does seem to be for a very worthy cause. Saturn, the planet of structure, is trying to talk common sense but you just don't seem to want to listen. Forced changes in the lives of those you care for are certain to be in their best interests in the long run. Phone now for an early Valentine's prediction.</p> <p>0906 585 4363</p>	<p>CAPRICORN Dec 22-Jan 19</p> <p>You finally close the door on a sad and very emotional chapter of your life and, from here on in, better times that await you. Take up the offer to go somewhere new and exciting. It may seem daunting but it's sure to turn out to be just what the doctor ordered to put the smile back on your face again. Call me now so I can tell you why house of work is looking so interesting.</p> <p>0906 585 4369</p>
<p>LEO Jul 23-Aug 22</p> <p>Relationships come under the spotlight and you'll be putting a lot of time and energy into fine tuning and shaping the ones that are of most importance to you. Work requires a few white lies but just make sure you know how far is too far to go, or you'll undo the good work that this year has so far seen you do. Phone me now to hear why it's worth making family a priority this weekend.</p> <p>0906 585 4364</p>	<p>AQUARIUS Jan 20-Feb 18</p> <p>The arguments and misunderstandings which made for such a dramatic start to the year now need to be sorted and if that means that you have to be the first one to hold up a white flag then so be it. I just know that you'll feel so much better getting back on track with someone who has come to mean more to you than you've previously been willing to admit. Phone now for a message from Venus.</p> <p>0906 585 4370</p>
<p>VIRGO Aug 23-Sep 22</p> <p>You seem to have created a tension between your personal and professional life, but this could lead to you being accused of things you are not guilty of. Try to let down a few of your defences or you you'll force someone's hand to make a decision which isn't necessary. Travel plans get exciting from Tuesday when something you never thought you could do is offered. Ring now so I can tell you more.</p> <p>0906 585 4365</p>	<p>PISCES Feb 19-Mar 20</p> <p>Your tendency to gossip is about to land you in some very hot water. Maybe if you tried concentrating on your own life then you wouldn't feel the need to have to interfere with others. The truth is you're nervous and frightened about what's to come but if you got back in the driving seat instead of just doing what others tell you to then you'd soon feel good again. Phone now for your courage.</p> <p>0906 585 4371</p>



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Showhome's stylish design

By Gill Oliver

THE first four-bedroom showhouse is open to view at Taylor Wimpey's The Cross development in Banbury.

Spread over three floors, the semi-detached home includes a kitchen/diner with French doors to the garden, living room, utility and cloakroom.

On the second floor there is a double bedroom with ensuite, two more bedrooms and a family bathroom.

The third floor houses a master bedroom with an ensuite and dressing area that the developer says could be used for a walk-in wardrobe.

The Cross, just off Oxford Road, includes terraced four-bedroom properties with prices starting from £380,000.

Darren McCormack, regional sales and marketing manager for Taylor Wimpey, said: "Our Devon showhome is a fabulous example of what life at The Cross could be like."

"It is in a perfect location for families as it's less than

half a mile from Banbury town centre and offers a variety of good primary and secondary schools and a great range of high street shops and restaurants in the area."

Prices for four-bedroom properties, in the style of the Devon showhome, start from £435,000.

For more information about the showhome or The Cross, visit the sales and marketing centre from Thursday to Monday, 10am to 5pm, call 0845 071 8706, or visit taylorwimpey.co.uk/oxfordshire



The master bedroom in the new showhouse at The Cross, Banbury. Inset: the home's lounge



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SSTC

£139,950
Miller Road

- This good size three bedroom semi detached home offers:- Good size kitchen, lounge diner with double aspect, family bathroom Outerhouse with storage and w.c. Large garden, Off road parking. This property would benefit from updating.

SSTC

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Identity fraud has been on a steady increase over the last few years, partly due to the credit crunch, which has made it harder for people to gain access to credit in their own name, making some people resort to ID theft as a way to obtain goods and services, including residential tenancies.

Anecdotal evidence from across the UK shows a rising number of deliberate fraud cases involving tenants. Applicants fill out tenancy application forms fraudulently as they move from property to property, with no intention of keeping up with the rent.

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Maria Lucas, Managing Director of Let Lucas Rental Specialists said: "Tenant fraud is a continuing problem for landlords. And there is no sign of it easing in 2012, so it is essential that landlords have a checklist for new tenants, which includes obtaining ID documents and proof of current residency at an early stage of the tenancy application. Letting Experts can help spot anomalies, oddities and the potential for fraud in tenancy applications."

Tips that will help you reduce fraud

- Obtain a credit check – Individuals with good credit histories are generally good tenants
- Obtain landlords and employment references. Don't forget that some Landlords just want to get rid of their problem tenants and will therefore give good references. Are the referees with aol/ hotmail/google accounts genuine? Ask the applicant to provide further proof for example copies of payslips or sight of bank statements if you have any doubts.
- Make sure that your tenancy application forms are completed in full. If an applicant only completes part of it, they may be hiding something?
- Don't take everything at face value. Don't believe anything that you are told and/or what is on the application. You will pick up a lot of information about the applicant when showing them the property. What kind of car does the prospective tenant drive?
- Take the time to compare addresses shown on the application with those shown on the ID documents. Ask for previous utility and telephone (including mobile phone) bills and statements, and check if the name and address and other information matches the information on the application form. If not, why not?
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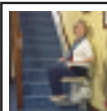
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Posh Evoque is real eye-catcher

By David Duffy

A car which Victoria Beckham had a hand in designing was never going to be anything other than super-slim, exquisitely styled and dazzlingly elegant.

Little surprise then that the glitzy new Evoque is the smallest and lightest Range Rover ever built, and the most fuel-efficient to date.

Inside and out, the Evoque is an eye-catcher par excellence. It also breaks new ground as the first Range Rover to come in a front-wheel-drive version, as opposed to 4x4, and with a choice of three- and five-door models. Priced from about £30,000 and lower and sleeker than any previous Range Rover, at the heart of this designer car lies choice.

With three contrasting roof colours, 16 tailored interiors which is where Victoria Beckham's influence was used, and two wood veneers, along with a panoramic glass roof that runs the entire length of the car, the opportunity to personalise the Evoque is huge.

But the best news is that the driving experience is as polished as its illuminated, gleaming aluminium-and-chrome tread plates.

The Dynamic specification test model delivered confident and sporty handling with effortless performance and quiet refinement.

This coupé version, with its mas-

sive doors, makes the biggest design statement but even with electrically-operated seats to help passengers get into the rear seats, it is a less practical family choice than the five-door alternative.

But for both models, the sheer range of technology available is impressive. A 17-speaker, 825W Meridian hi-fi system delivers pin-sharp surround sound and the innovative eight-inch Dual-View touch-screen display which allows the passenger to watch digital TV while the driver independently views the navigation display on the same screen, must be seen to be believed.

Other systems available, included rear-seat entertainment, powered tailgate, a surround camera system which uses five digital cameras, placed around the car, giving a 360-degree view of the surrounding area on the touch-screen display and even a system that allows the car to



NEW GROUND: The Evoque is the first Range Rover to be offered in a front-wheel-drive version as well as a 4x4

automatically park itself. But don't be fooled by the glamorous specification.

The Evoque might appear to be a high heeled, high maintenance rock star, but under the skin sits a rock solid, dependable off-roader. Plenty of ground clearance, generous approach and departure angles and electronically-controlled four-wheel-drive gives superb grip and balance off-road.

In the day, and possibly even more so at night, the Evoque is glitteringly eye-catching and, above all else, exceedingly posh.

Auto facts

Model: Range Rover Evoque SD4 Dynamic Coupe
Price: £39,990
Insurance group: 35 (1-50)
Fuel consumption (Combined): 43.5mpg
Top speed: 121mph
Length: 436.5cm/171.9in
Width: 196.5cm/77.4in
Luggage capacity: 20.3 cu ft
Fuel tank capacity: 13.2 gallons/60l
CO2 emissions: 169g/km
Warranty: 3 years/unlimited mileage

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Trust triumphs over price in choice of garage

BOTH money and time may be tight for many motorists but when it comes to choosing a garage to maintain their car, trust beats both price and convenience as the most important factor, according to a new study from Kwik Fit. Its research shows that almost half of motorists (45 per cent) say their most important reason for returning to the same garage they've used previously is because they trust it will do a good job. This is almost twice as many as

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(74 per cent). A sceptical three per cent of motorists say it takes seven visits or more to a garage to have fully earned their confidence.

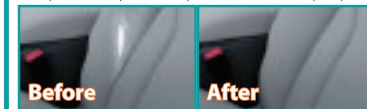
One in 10 (10 per cent) motorists say they don't generally trust garages.

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■ TWO new models have been added to the Jaguar XF line. SE Business and Sport variants are available to order now, with specific extra equipment already installed. SE Business trim is based on the pre-existing SE spec, but is offered only in conjunction with the recently announced 161bhp version of the company's 2.2-litre diesel engine. Prices start from £31,500 on the road.

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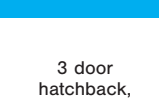
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Folding rear seats,
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months Tax,
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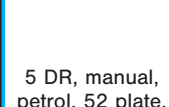
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2003, Petrol, Alloy
Wheels, Electric
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e/w, e/m, cl,
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Aug

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runner, very
good condition

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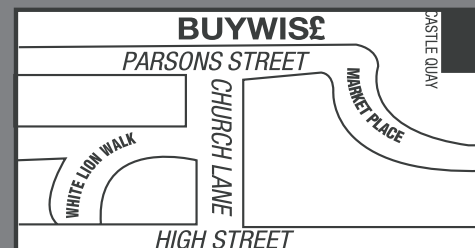


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